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Our afternoon learning took us outside again today! Ten blocks from our house they are building a pedestrian (people) bridge from the top of the bluff to the Everett waterfront. We have been watching their progress for months, so today we walked (well, I walked and the boys ran) to see if they were still working. They were! We watched them work for a little while and talked about how the structure would hold people so cars could pass underneath. When we got home, I asked Ezekiel and Isaiah to build the strongest bridges they could using toys we had at home. When they were finished, we tested them by adding weight to see how much they could hold. What would YOU use to build a bridge?

Here are some photos:



This is the bridge we visited off Grand Avenue. You can see that people will cross from the bluff (right side) and then weave back and forth until they get to the staircase and can walk down to the sidewalk. They are still working on putting up the decorative railings and the staircase railings. We can't wait to try it out when it is done!

Ezekiel and Isaiah's bridges:



Ezekiel's bridge made from "Flakes" held 8 boxes of Kleenex before it fell over!

Isayah chose to use wooden blocks for his bridge. He became the crane and stacked five boxes. The sixth box caused the bridge to fall!



The boys built several other bridges before they were finished. Even Mr. Ross joined in and built a bridge! Learning can happen anywhere!